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FOR AMBASSADOR GATES FROM HABIB

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SUBJE-T: PROPOSED TRAVEL OF AMB AND MRS GATES TO TOKYO

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1. I HAVE DISCUSSED YOUR PROPOSED VISIT TO TOKYO WITH THE SECRETARY. WE ARE SOMEWHAT CONCERNED THAT PRC OR OTHERS MIGHT MISINTERPRET YOUR DEPARTURE ON JULY 14 AT A TIME OF CONTROVERSY OVER TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OLYMPICS AND THE US POSITION THEREON.

2. I THEREFORE HOPE YOU CAN DEFER YOUR DEPARTURE FOR SEVERAL DAYS, BY WHICH TIME WE WILL KNOW IF THE ISSUE IS LIKELY TO BECOME MORE SERIOUS. KISSINGER

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